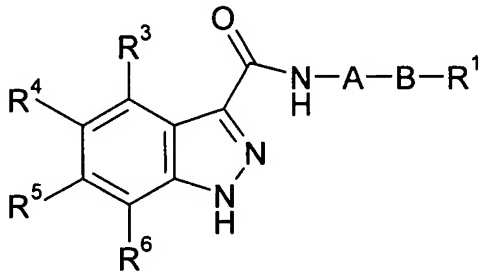
CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1- 79. (canceled)

80. (new) A method for the prophylaxis or treatment of a disease state or condition mediated by a cyclin dependent kinase, which method comprises administering to a subject in need thereof a compound of the formula (I):



(I)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof ;

wherein

A is a group R^2 or CH_2-R^2 where R^2 is a carbocyclic or heterocyclic group having from 3 to 12 ring members;

B is a bond or an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O;

R^1 is hydrogen or a group selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and are each selected from hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12

ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

R^7 is selected from hydrogen and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

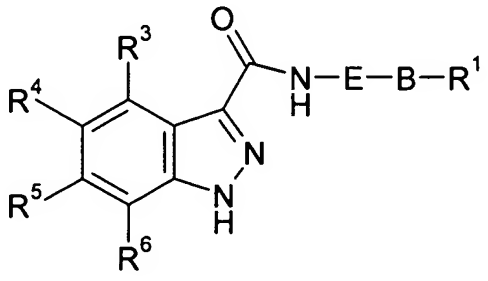
R^8 is selected from R^7 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members;

R^9 is selected from R^8, COR^8 and SO_2R^8;

or NR^7R^8 or NR^7R^9 may each form a heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

but excluding the compounds N-[(morpholin-4-yl)phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide and N-[4-(acetylaminosulphonyl)phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide.

81. (new) A compound of the formula (II):



I)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein

E is a group R^{12} or CH_2-R^{12a} where R^{12} is a substituted or unsubstituted, non-bridged, carbocyclic or heterocyclic group having from 3 to 12 ring members, other than a diazacycloalkyl moiety, and R^{12a} is an unsubstituted or substituted aryl or heteroaryl group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

B is a bond or an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O;

R^1 is hydrogen or a group selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and are each selected from hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

R^7 is selected from hydrogen and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^8 is selected from R^7 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to

12 ring members;

R^9 is selected from R^8, COR^8 and SO_2R^8;

or NR^7R^8 or NR^7R^9 may each form a heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

and the optional substituents for the groups R^{12} and R^{12a} can be one or more substituent groups R^{10} selected from halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

with the provisos that:

(a) when R^{12} is an azacycloalkyl or diazacycloalkyl group, at least one nitrogen atom of the azacycloalkyl or diazacycloalkyl group is substituted by an acyl, sulphinyl or sulphonyl group;

(b) when E is a substituted phenyl group, the or each substituent is other than a 5-7 membered non-aromatic ring (such as cyclohexyl) having attached thereto a diazacycloalkyl moiety (such as piperazine), a nitrogen atom of which moiety bears an aryl or heteroaryl substituent; and

(c) R^{12} and R^{12a} are each other than a substituted or unsubstituted imidazole moiety;

but excluding the following:

(i) N-[(morpholin-4-yl)phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide;

(ii) N-[4-(acetylaminosulphonyl)phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide;

(iii) compounds wherein E is phenyl, R^1 is NR^7R^8 and B is a group $-CH(CH_2OH)CH_2-$;

(iv) compounds wherein R^3 and R^6 are both hydrogen and R^4 and R^5 are both methoxy;

(v) compounds wherein R^3 to R^6 are all hydrogen, wherein E is unsubstituted pyridyl or pyridylmethyl, B is a bond and R^1 is hydrogen;

(vi) compounds wherein E is phenyl substituted with one or more of alkyl, alkoxy, alkylsulphanyl, alkylsulphinyl other than *meta*-alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl other than *meta*-alkylsulphonyl, halogen, nitro and trihalomethyl, B is a bond, and R^1 is hydrogen;

(vii) compounds wherein E is a thiophene group bearing a 3-aminocarbonyl substituent;

(viii) the compound wherein E is unsubstituted phenyl or *para*-methoxyphenyl, and each of R^3 to R^6 is hydrogen;

(ix) N-4-methylbenzyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide;

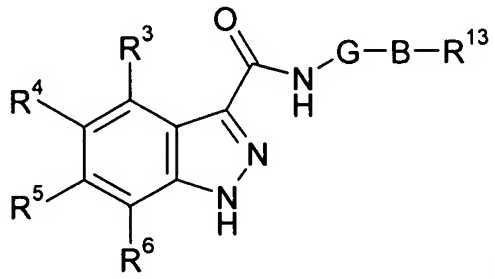
(x) compounds wherein R^3, R^5 and R^6 are each hydrogen, R^4 is methyl and A is unsubstituted benzyl, unsubstituted phenyl, methylphenyl, *meta*-trifluoromethylphenyl, and *ortho*-methoxyphenyl;

(xi) compounds in which E is a 2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane ring;

(xii) compounds containing a benzene ring substituted by a pair of *meta*-oriented carboxamido moieties;

(xiii) compounds wherein E is a trisubstituted phenyl group and two of the substitutents are fluoro and chloro respectively.

82. (new) A compound according to claim 81 having the formula (III):



(III)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein

G is a group R^{14} or CH_2-R^{14} where R^{14} is a carbocyclic group having from 3 to 12 ring members;

B is a bond or an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O;

R^{13} is a group selected from $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and are each selected from hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

R^7 is selected from hydrogen and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^8 is selected from R^7 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members;

R^9 is selected from R^8, COR^8 and SO_2R^8;

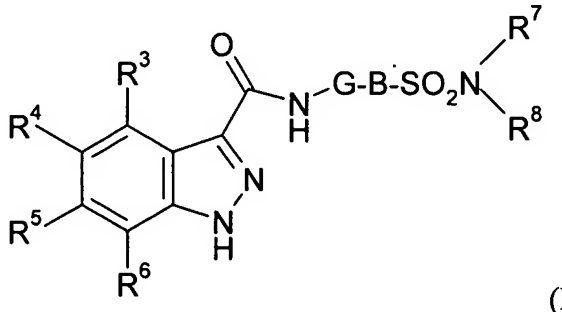
or NR^7R^8 or NR^7R^9 may each form a heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

but excluding the compounds N-[(morpholin-4-yl)phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide and N-[4-(acetylaminosulphonyl)phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide; and further excluding;

(i) compounds wherein A is phenyl, R^1 is NR^7R^8 and B is a group $-CH(CH_2OH)CH_2-$;

(ii) compounds wherein R^3 and R^6 are both hydrogen and R^4 and R^5 are both methoxy.

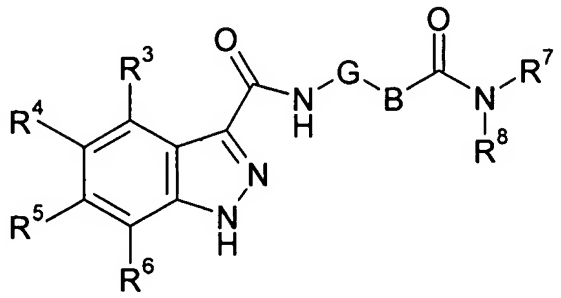
83. (new) A compound according to claim 82 having the formula (IV):



(IV)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof.

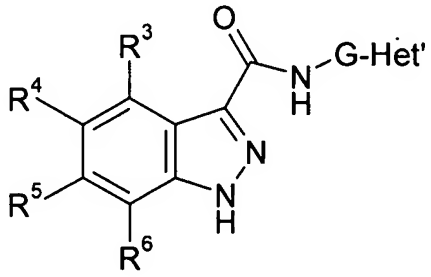
84. (new) A compound according to claim 82 having the formula (V):



(V)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof.

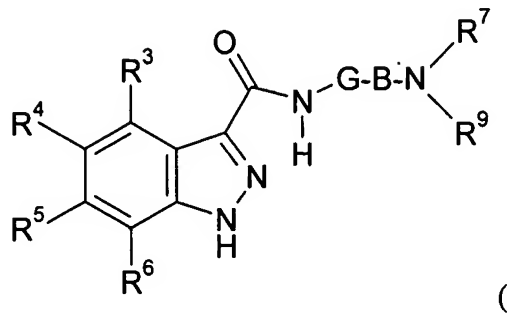
85. (new) A compound according to claim 82 having the formula (VI):



(VI)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein Het' is a heterocylic group having from 3 to 7 ring members, but excluding the compound N-[(morpholin-4-yl)phenyl]-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide.

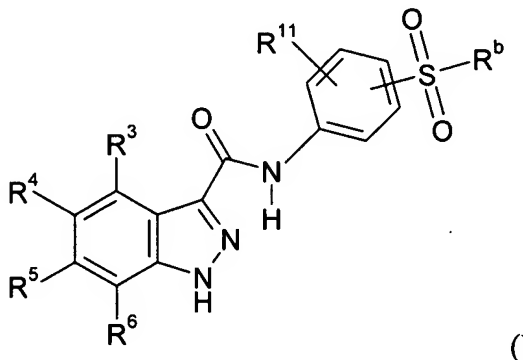
86. (new) A compound according to claim 82 having the formula (VII):



(VII)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof.

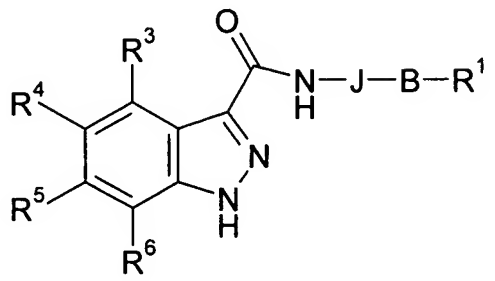
87. (new) A compound according to claim 81 having the formula (VIII):



(VIII)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein R^{11} represents hydrogen or one or more substituents selected from halogen, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} alkoxy, trifluoromethyl and trifluoromethoxy.

88. (new) A compound according to claim 81 having the formula (IX):



(IX)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein

J is a group R^{15} or CH_2-R^{15a} where R^{15} is a substituted or unsubstituted, non-bridged heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members, other than a diazacycloalkyl moiety, and R^{15a} is an unsubstituted or substituted aryl or heteroaryl group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

B is a bond or an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O;

R^1 is hydrogen when R^{15a} is aryl or, when R^{15a} is other than aryl, R^1 is hydrogen or a group selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and are each selected from hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

R^7 is selected from hydrogen and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^8 is selected from R^7 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members;

R^9 is selected from R^8, COR^8 and SO_2R^8;

or NR^7R^8 or NR^7R^9 may each form a heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

and the optional substituents for the groups R^{15} and R^{15a} can be one or more substituent groups R^{10} selected from halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

provided that when R^{15a} is aryl it is not substituted either directly, or via an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O, by a group selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

with the provisos that:

(a) when R^{15} is an azacycloalkyl group and all of R^3 to R^6 are hydrogen, at least one nitrogen atom of the azacycloalkyl group is substituted by an acyl, sulphinyl or sulphonyl group;

(b) R^{15} and R^{15a} are each other than a substituted or unsubstituted imidazole moiety;

but excluding the following:

(i) compounds wherein R^3 and R^6 are both hydrogen and R^4 and R^5 are both methoxy;

(ii) compounds wherein R^3 to R^6 are all hydrogen, J is unsubstituted pyridyl or pyridylmethyl, B is a bond and R^1 is hydrogen;

(iii) compounds wherein J is phenyl substituted with one or more of alkyl, alkoxy, alkylsulphanyl, alkylsulphinyl other than *meta*-alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl other than *meta*-alkylsulphonyl, halogen, nitro and trihalomethyl, B is a bond, and R^1 is hydrogen;

(iv) compounds wherein J is a thiophene group bearing a 3-aminocarbonyl substituent;

(v) the compound wherein J is unsubstituted phenyl or *para*-methoxyphenyl, and each of R^3 to R^6 is hydrogen;

(vi) N-4-methylbenzyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide;

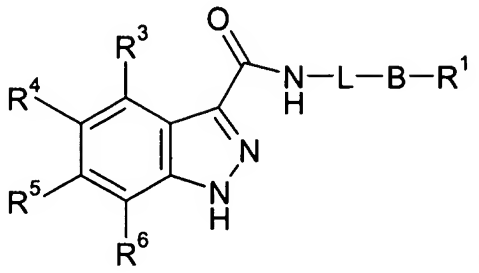
(vii) compounds wherein R^3, R^5 and R^6 are each hydrogen, R^4 is methyl and A is unsubstituted benzyl, unsubstituted phenyl, methylphenyl, *meta*-trifluoromethylphenyl, and *ortho*-methoxyphenyl;

(viii) compounds in which J is a 2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxane ring;

(ix) compounds containing a benzene ring substituted by a pair of *meta*-oriented carboxamido moieties; and

(x) compounds wherein J is a trisubstituted phenyl group and two of the substituents are fluoro and chloro respectively.

89. (new) A compound according to claim 81 having the formula (X):



(X)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein

L is a group R^{16} or CH_2-R^{16} where R^{16} is a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl group other than imidazole, the heteroaryl group having from 5 to 12 ring members, at least one of which is nitrogen;

B is a bond or an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O;

R^1 is hydrogen or a group selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and are each selected from hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, provided that R^4 and R^5 cannot both be methoxy;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

R^7 is selected from hydrogen and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^8 is selected from R^7 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members;

R^9 is selected from R^8, COR^8 and SO_2R^8;

or NR^7R^8 or NR^7R^9 may each form a heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

and the optional substituents for R^{16} can be one or more substituent groups R^{10} selected from halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is

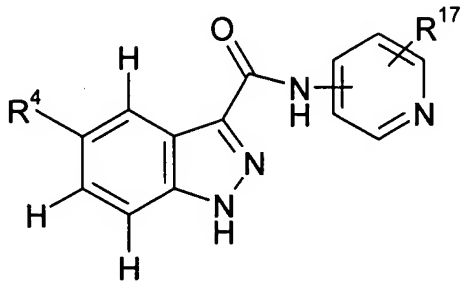
selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

but excluding compounds wherein all of R^3 to R^6 are hydrogen and L-B-R^1 defines an unsubstituted pyridyl or pyridylmethyl group.

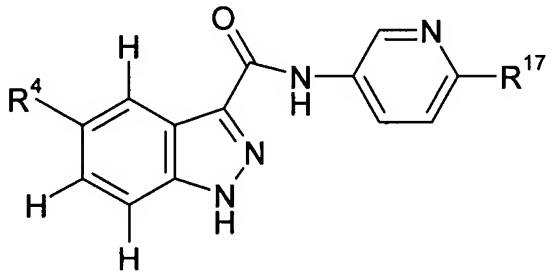
90. (new) A compound according to claim 89 having the formula (XI):



(XI)

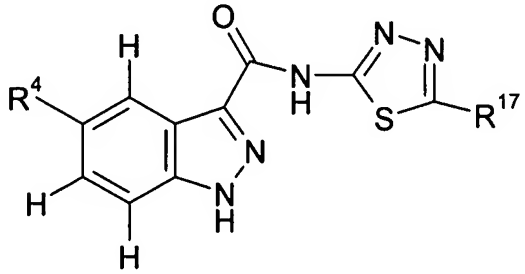
or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, in which R^{17} is hydrogen, B-R^1 or R^{10}, provided that at least one of R^4 and R^{17} is other than hydrogen.

91. (new) A compound according to claim 90 having the formula (XII):



(XII)

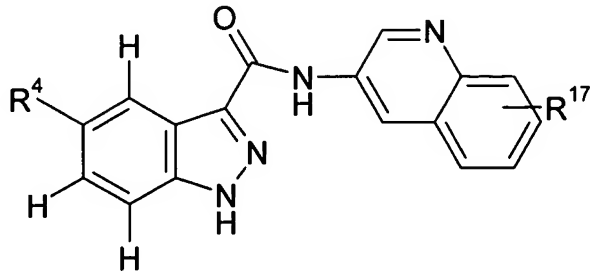
92. (new) A compound according to claim 89 having the formula (XIII):



(XIII)

in which R^{17} is hydrogen, B-R^1 or R^{10}.

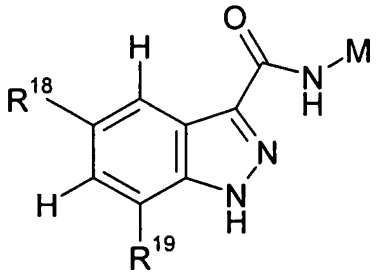
93. (new) A compound according to claim 89 having the formula (XIV):



(XIV)

in which R^{17} is hydrogen, B-R^1 or R^{10}.

94. (new) A compound according to claim 81 having the formula (XV):



(XV)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein

M is a group R^{20} or CH_2-R^{20} where R^{20} is an aryl group having from 6 to 12 ring members and being optionally substituted by one or two substituent groups R^{10} which may be the same or different;

R^{18} is selected from hydrogen, halogen, and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members;

R^{19} is selected from hydrogen and amino, provided that at least one of R^{18} and R^{19} is other than hydrogen;

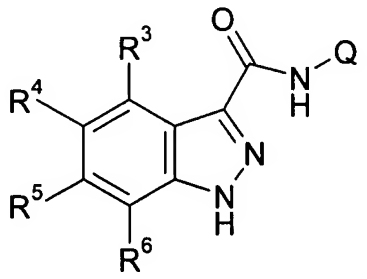
R^{10} is selected from halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic

groups having from 3 to 7 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$; provided that the aryl group R^{20} is not substituted either directly, or via an acyclic linker group having a linking chain length of up to 3 atoms selected from C, N, S and O, by a group selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$.

95. (new) A compound according to claim 81 having the formula (XVI):



(XVI)

or a salt, solvate or N-oxide thereof, wherein

Q is an optionally substituted non-bridged non-aromatic heterocyclic group having from 5 to 7 ring members of which at least one is a nitrogen atom, the group being other than a diazacycloalkyl group;

R^3, R^4, R^5 and R^6 are the same or different and are each selected from hydrogen, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12

ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

R^7 is selected from hydrogen and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^8 is selected from R^7 and carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members;

R^9 is selected from R^8, COR^8 and SO_2R^8;

or NR^7R^8 or NR^7R^9 may each form a heterocyclic group having from 5 to 12 ring members;

and the optional substituents for the group Q can be one or more (preferably up to 2, for example 1) substituent groups R^{21} selected from SO_2R^b, $SO_2NR^7R^8$, $CONR^7R^8$, NR^7R^9, halogen, hydroxy, trifluoromethyl, cyano, nitro, carboxy, amino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members; a group R^a-R^b wherein R^a is a bond, O, CO, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$, $X^1C(X^2)X^1$, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, SO_2NR^c or NR^cSO_2; and R^b is selected from hydrogen, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 7 ring members, and a C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, oxo, halogen, cyano, nitro, amino, mono- or di-C_{1-4} hydrocarbylamino, carbocyclic and heterocyclic groups having from 3 to 12 ring members and wherein one or more carbon atoms of the C_{1-8} hydrocarbyl group may optionally be

replaced by O, S, SO, SO_2, NR^c, $X^1C(X^2)$, $C(X^2)X^1$ or $X^1C(X^2)X^1$;

R^c is hydrogen or C_{1-4} hydrocarbyl;

X^1 is O, S or NR^c and X^2 is =O, =S or $=NR^c$;

provided that when Q is an azacycloalkyl group and R^3 to R^6 are all hydrogen, at least one nitrogen atom of the azacycloalkyl or diazacycloalkyl group is substituted by an acyl, sulphinyl or sulphonyl group.

96. (new) A compound according to claim 81 selected from:

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid [3-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-phenyl]-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(acetylamino-methyl)-phenyl]-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)-phenyl]-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid (3-oxazol-5-yl-phenyl)-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(1H-imidazol-4-yl)-phenyl]-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid (3-methanesulphonyl-phenyl)-amide;

1H-Indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(morpholine-4-sulphonyl)-phenyl]-amide;

5-Iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-sulphamoyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-Iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-Iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (3-methanesulphonyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-Iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(acetylamino-methyl)-phenyl]-amide;

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-sulphamoyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-thiophen-2-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-(3,5-dimethyl-isoxazol-4-yl)-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-furan-2-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

and

5-benzofuran-2-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

N-phenyl-5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxamide;

5-morpholin-4-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (5-nitro-pyridin-2-yl)-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-sulphamoyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-thiophen-2-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-thiazol-2-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

4-[(5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carbonyl)-amino]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(thiazol-2-ylsulphamoyl)-phenyl]-amide;

5-phenyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(methanesulphonylamino-methyl)-phenyl]-amide;

4-[(5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carbonyl)-amino]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (1-benzyl-pyrrolidin-3-yl)-amide;

4-[(5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carbonyl)-amino]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid ethyl ester;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-methoxy-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid pyridin-3-yl-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid quinolin-3-ylamide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (tetrahydro-pyran-4-yl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (1-methyl-piperidin-4-yl)-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (2-chloro-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid benzylamide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid 4-(4-methyl-piperazin-1-yl)-benzylamide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid pyridin-3-ylamide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-cyano-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-methyl-pyridazin-3-yl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (5-ethyl-[1,3,4]thiadiazol-2-yl)-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-morpholin-4-yl-phenyl)-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-morpholin-4-yl-phenyl)-amide;

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-chloro-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

4-[(1H-indazole-3-carbonyl)-amino]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluoro-phenyl)-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-acetylamino-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

5-amino-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylaminosulphonylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-amino-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-sulphamoyl-phenyl)-amide;

7-amino-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-sulphamoyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-[3-(2-chloro-ethyl)-ureido]-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoyl-methyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-amino-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-methylsulphamoylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid piperidin-4-ylamide

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(acetylamino-methyl)-phenyl]-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [1-(2,2,2 trifluoro-acetyl)-Piperidin-4- yl]-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid piperidin-4-ylamide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (1-acetyl-piperidin-4-yl)-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (1-methanesulphonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluoro-phenyl)-amide;

4-bromo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluoro-phenyl)-amide;

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluorophenyl)-amide;

5-amino-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluorophenyl)-amide;

5-amino-4-bromo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluorophenyl)-amide;

5-methyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluoro-phenyl)-amide;

6-bromo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluoro-phenyl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-morpholin-4-yl-phenyl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [3-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-phenyl]-amide;

5-iodo-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-phenyl)-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [4-(thiazol-2-ylsulphamoyl)-phenyl]-amide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (4-fluoro-phenyl)-amide;

3-[(5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carbonyl)-amino]-pyrrolidine-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

5-fluoro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-morpholin-4-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-chloro-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (6-chloro-pyridin-3-yl)-amide;

5-phenethyl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-(1,1-dioxo-1lambda*6*-isothiazolidin-2-yl)-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-biphenyl-2-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-pyrrolidin-1-yl-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid phenylamide;

5-chloro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid [5-(tetrahydro-furan-2-yl)-[1,3,4]thiadiazol-2-yl]-amide;

and

5-nitro-1H-indazole-3-carboxylic acid (3-methanesulphonyl-phenyl)-amide.

97. (new) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound as defined in claim 81 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.